Docket No. QUIG-1006US

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In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph at page 11, lines 9-18 with the following paragraph:

Yet another preferred pharmaceutically acceptable carrier may include a solution of an acrylic copolymer in a non-aqueous solvent system which mainly contains polyethylene glycol such as methoxy polyethylene glycol 550 (MPEG). A particular preferred MPEG is SENTRY CARBOWAXTM MPEG 550 sold by Union Carbide, which is a food/pharmaceutical/cosmetic grade material. Polyethylene glycols are generally non-toxic, water-soluble polymers that are fully biodegradable. In the solution, the acrylic copolymer would preferably be present in a concentration range of 3-6 % by weight. Preferably, the acrylic copolymer has a molecular weight of more than 20,000. More preferably, the acrylic copolymer has a molecular weight of more than 100,000 so that it would not be systematically absorbed by a human body or skin.

Please replace the paragraph at page 14, line 26 to page 15, line 4 with the following paragraph:

The composition was prepared by first placing the hydrophilic ointment base in a stainless steel bowl and mixing briskly until the ointment becomes creamy. Then, the sodium acid phosphate, panthenol, ascorbyl palmitate, glycerine, apricot kernal oil, vitamins A and D₃, quercetin, witch hazel extract, vitamin E acetate and α-lipoic acid were added in that order. After each ingredient was added, mixing was continued until all traces of dry ingredients disappeared and a substantially homogeneous mixture was obtained. The final color should be a consistent yellow and the cream should have the consistency of cake frosting. The mixture was then placed in a sterile container. All containers which contact the composition during mixing must also be sterilized with, for example, zephiran chloride or a Clorox® solution such as betadine.